Expenses incurred for introducing compulsory Primary education.

259. *Mr. K. G. Narayna Panicker: Will the Government be pleased to state the preliminary steps and the preliminary expenses incurred for the introduction of Compulsory Primary Education ?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi: Preliminary steps.

1. Appointment of Pakuthy Committees to advise the Director of Public Instruction to select sites for new schools.

2. Visits by the Director of Public Instruction to the various localities to fix sites for the new schools and holding conferences with M. L. As & M. L. Cs. and management of schools discussing details of the programme to be followed.

3. Collection of statistics regarding the existing schools in the matter of site, accommodation etc.

4. Preliminary Census of the children of 5-10 age group and number attending schools.

5. Negotiations with L. M. S. regarding release of their schools.

6. Preparation of the draft rules under the Act.

7. Appointment of Committees for writing Reader for class I in Malayalam and Tamil, the publication of the Readers etc.

8. Conduct of the Refresher course in 80 centres for the benefit of 4000 teachers handling class I.

9. Appointment of a special P. W. D. staff for the construction of Primary School Buildings and fixing up contracts.

10. Appointment of an Advisory Board to help the Director in implementing the scheme.

A sum of Rs. 7,00,000 has been provided for the implementing of the scheme in Nanjinad and the Trivandrum City.

No preliminary expenses other than the pay of the staff of the special section created in the office of the Director of Public Instruction for the purpose and the additional clerk sanctioned for the Nagercoil Assistant Inspector's Office, were incurred.

Compulsory education scheme in the Trivandrum City.

260. *Mr K. A. Raman Pillai: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of pupils who are now brought under the compulsory education scheme in the City of Trivandrum ;

(*b*) the number of new primary schools opened in the Trivandrum City during 1121 ;

(*c*) the number of primary schools now functioning ;

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(*d*) whether any census has been taken of children between the ages of 5 and 11 in the City of Trivandrum after compulsion has been introduced ;

(*e*) whether cases of evasion have been brought to their notice ;

(*f*) if so, what action has been taken by them ;

(*g*) whether there are primary schools in the City, the control and management of which have not been taken up by Government ; and

(*h*) if so, the reasons for the same and the names of such schools ?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi : (*a*) The information will be available as soon as the Census figures are compiled.

(*b*) 27.

(*c*) 48.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) This has to await the compilation of the Census figures and preparation of house cards.

(*f*) does not arise in view of answer to (*e*) above.

(*g*) Yes.

(*h*) The managements have not volunteered to release the schools. All of them except one school attached to a Training School are running as unrecognised schools.

1. St. Joseph Primary School, Palayam.
2. do. Vanchiyoor.
3. Holy Angel's Convent Primary School.
4. Nalamchira Primary School.
5. St. Anne's Primary School, Pettah.
6. Sankumughom Primary School.
7. St. Roche's Convent Primary School attached to Training School (Recognised).

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261. ***Mr. K. C. Chandy** (*Thodupuzha* cum *Minachil*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a copy of the agreement between the Government and the London Mission Society regarding the primary schools which the latter was conducting in the areas where the scheme of compulsory primary education has been introduced ?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi : A copy of the agreement is placed on the Secretary's table.

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262. ***Mr. K. C. Chandy :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have a plan for the type design school which they proposed to build under the compulsory primary education scheme ;

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